

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings.

1. (Currently Amended) An anode material, comprising:

a composite material including a base material physically bonded by Van [[van]] der Waals forces to a carbonaceous material,

wherein,

the base material includes tin (Sn) and at least cobalt (Co) ~~and or iron (Fe)~~,
a mass ratio of the carbonaceous material to the base material is in a range from
and including 0.1 to and including 8.0 for the carbonaceous material relative to 100 for
the base material, and

the physical bonding of the base material to the carbonaceous material effected by
applying a compressive force and a shearing force to at least a part of a surface of a base
material when the composite material is formed.

2. (Previously Presented) An anode material according to claim 1, wherein the base
material further includes at least one kind selected from the group consisting of scandium (Sc),
titanium (Ti), vanadium (V), chromium (Cr), manganese (Mn), nickel (Ni), copper (Cu), zinc
(Zn), boron (B), aluminum (Al), gallium (Ga), indium (In) and silver (Ag).

3. (Original) An anode material according to claim 1, wherein the carbonaceous
material is acetylene black.

4. (Original) An anode material according to claim 1, wherein the carbonaceous
material is artificial graphite.

5. (Original) An anode material according to claim 1, wherein the carbonaceous
material is carbon fiber.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) A battery, comprising:
a cathode;
an anode; and
an electrolyte,
wherein,
the anode comprises a composite material including a base material
physically bonded by Van [[van]] der Waals forces to a carbonaceous material,
the base material including tin (Sn) and at least cobalt (Co) ~~and/or iron~~
(Fe),
a mass ratio of the carbonaceous material to the base material is within a
range from and including 0.1 to and including 8.0 for the carbonaceous material
relative to 100 for the base material, and
the physical bonding of the base material to the carbonaceous material
effected by applying a compressive force and a shearing force to at least a part of
a surface of a base material when the composite material is formed.

8. (Previously Presented) A battery according to claim 7, wherein the base material
further includes at least one kind selected from the group consisting of scandium (Sc), titanium
(Ti), vanadium (V), chromium (Cr), manganese (Mn), nickel (Ni), copper (Cu), zinc (Zn), boron
(B), aluminum (Al), gallium (Ga), indium (In) and silver (Ag).

9. (Original) A battery according to claim 7, wherein the carbonaceous material is
acetylene black.

10. (Original) A battery according to claim 7, wherein the carbonaceous material is
artificial graphite.

11. (Original) A battery according to claim 7, wherein the carbonaceous material is
carbon fiber.

12. (Cancelled)